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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1. **(Currently Amended)** A method for establishing a virtual university, comprising the steps of:

connecting a virtual university server and one or more users;  
selecting a destination within the virtual university server to interact with the one or more users;  
coupling the one or more users through the virtual university server based on the selected destination; and  
establishing interaction parameters for the one or more users based on the selected destination; and  
providing a selected virtual university activity type based on the interaction parameters and the destination, the selected virtual activity type being one of a plurality of virtual university activity types.

2. **(Original)** A method for establishing a virtual university as recited in claim 1, wherein the destinations include a virtual student union where users can interact using a bulletin board or other collaborative functions.

3. **(Original)** A method for establishing a virtual university as recited in claim 1, wherein the destinations include a virtual library where a user can use resources, consult with a virtual librarian, search for resources and collaborate with one or more other users.

4. **(Original)** A method for establishing a virtual university as recited in claim 1, wherein the destinations include a virtual administration office where a user can register for courses, search a directory, utilize a class locator, consult with the administration help desk, add a course, drop a course and utilize a career center.

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5. **(Currently Amended)** A method for establishing a virtual university as recited in claim 1, wherein the destinations include a virtual classroom where a user can learn, view a directory of other students in a current class, view materials, grades, announcements, homework, review old tests, administer tests, ask questions of an instructor, enter a breakout room, review lectures, view the class schedule and view research topics.

6. **(Original)** A method for establishing a virtual university as recited in claim 1, wherein the destinations include a university directory that provides information on persons and entities associated with the university.

7. **(Original)** A method for establishing a virtual university as recited in claim 1, wherein tests are applied to the users.

8. **(Original)** A method for establishing a virtual university as recited in claim 1, wherein any two users can collaborate in the virtual university.

9. **(Original)** A method for establishing a virtual university as recited in claim 1, wherein grades are distributed electronically.

10. **(Currently Amended)** An apparatus for establishing a virtual classroom, comprising:

logic that connects a virtual university server and one or more users;

logic that selects a destination within the virtual university server to interact with the one or more users;

logic that couples the one or more users through the virtual university server based on the selected destination; and

logic that establishes interaction parameters for the one or more users based on the selected destination; and

logic that provides a selected virtual university activity type based on the interaction parameters and the destination, the selected virtual university activity type being one of a plurality of virtual university activity types.

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11. **(Currently Amended)** A computer program embodied on a computer-readable medium that establishes a virtual classroom, comprising:

- a code segment that connects a virtual university server and one or more users;
- a code segment that selects a destination within the virtual university server to interact with the one or more users;
- a code segment that couples the one or more users through the virtual university server based on the selected destination; ~~and~~
- a code segment that establishes interaction parameters for the one or more users based on the selected destination; and
- a code segment that provides a selected virtual university activity type based on the interaction parameters and the destination, the selected virtual university activity type being one of a plurality of virtual university activity types.

12. **(Original)** A computer program embodied on a computer-readable medium that establishes a virtual classroom as recited in claim 11, wherein the destinations include a virtual student union where users can interact using a bulletin board or other collaborative functions.

13. **(Original)** A computer program embodied on a computer-readable medium that establishes a virtual classroom as recited in claim 11, wherein the destinations include a virtual library where a user can use resources, consult with a virtual librarian, search for resources and collaborate with one or more other users.

14. **(Original)** A computer program embodied on a computer-readable medium that establishes a virtual classroom as recited in claim 11, wherein the destinations include a virtual administration office where a user can register for courses, search a directory, utilize a class locator, consult with the administration help desk, add a course, drop a course and utilize a career center.

15. **(Currently Amended)** A computer program embodied on a computer-readable medium that establishes a virtual classroom as recited in claim 11, wherein the destinations include a virtual classroom where a user can learn, view a directory of other students in a current class, view materials, grades, announcements, homework, review old tests, administer tests, ask

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questions of an instructor, enter a breakout room, review lectures, view the class schedule and view research topics.

16. **(Original)** A computer program embodied on a computer-readable medium that establishes a virtual classroom as recited in claim 11, wherein the destinations include a university directory that provides information on persons and entities associated with the university.

17. **(Original)** A computer program embodied on a computer-readable medium that establishes a virtual classroom as recited in claim 11, wherein tests are applied to the users.

18. **(Original)** A computer program embodied on a computer-readable medium that establishes a virtual classroom as recited in claim 11, wherein any two users can collaborate in the virtual university.

19. **(Original)** A computer program embodied on a computer-readable medium that establishes a virtual classroom as recited in claim 11, wherein grades are distributed electronically.

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